

By passing this bill, you will be saving so many children from sexual molestation. To give you an example of the loophole this bill would fix, I will tell you about the situation I was involved in.

It is May of 2011 and I had just testified a few days ago, it was a Friday night, and the jury had just started to decide on the case. The prosecutor told me he decided to give Matthew Bovee a plea deal. Matthew Bovee admitted to molesting me, and Bovee basically got a free pass. He wouldn't go to jail for his heinous crime against me, he wouldn't go to jail for pulling my genitals as if it were a rope and he wouldn't go to jail because he touching my butt. Worst of all, he wouldn't have to register as a sex offender! So, the next Tuesday, Bovee went before the court and admitted to sticking his finger up my anus and plead guilty to Injury of a Child, He walked out of the courtroom not only a free man, but without registering as a sex offender, allowing him to go under the radar and molest more and more kids.

That day, I promised myself I would fight to stop this injustice. I promised myself to make a change, to make sure other kids don't get hurt by pedophiles. Even though it already happened to me and no one can take it away, hopefully we can prevent other children from facing what I faced. I want to help so I can turn what happened to me into something that benefits my community. That is why I am asking you today to please pass this bill. This bill will help keep children safe so less children will get molested.

What happened to me is done, it cannot be changed, but I am asking you today to pass this bill so other boys and girls do not have to go through what I did. So other children do not get molested because a loophole in Texas law allows pedophiles to continue to molest kids by not having to following sex offender conditions.